

2021 Panamera Turbo S sets production saloon benchmark at Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta

22/01/2021 The new Panamera Turbo S showcases track capability with a lap time of 1:31.51 minutes.

The new 2021 Porsche Panamera Turbo S has taken its latest step as it demonstrates its capabilities on demanding courses around the world: On Porsche Cars North America's local track – Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta – it set a benchmark lap time of one minute and 31.51 seconds. PCNA enlisted professional racing driver Leh Keen to showcase the significantly enhanced driving capabilities of the new Panamera on the 4.0-kilometre race track. The achievement follows the benchmark lap time achieved by the Taycan Turbo S at the same track last year.

"The engineers found a perfect balance," said Keen. "They really made it feel small and sporty. The stability gave me a ton of confidence to use every bit of the asphalt and curbs. And yet the car has a completely different and more refined and relaxed character on the highway – an amazing combination."

Panamera with performance-oriented standard equipment

The 2021 Porsche Panamera Turbo S, expected to arrive in U.S. dealerships this spring, includes an extensive list of performance-oriented standard equipment that helps in highly dynamic and demanding driving scenarios, such as Porsche Ceramic Composite Brakes (PCCB), Porsche Torque Vectoring Plus (PTV+), rear axle steering and Porsche Dynamic Chassis Control Sport roll-stabilisation system (PDCC Sport).

To further improve its performance, the Panamera Turbo S was fitted with optional newly-developed road-legal Michelin Pilot Sport cup 2 NDO ultra-high performance tyres. They are sized 275/35 ZR 21 103Y XL at the front and 325/30 ZR 21 108Y XL at the rear. Bearing the typical Porsche "N" designation signifying a co-development between Porsche and the tyre manufacturer, this tyre was tuned at the Nürburgring specifically for the Panamera and its customers and will be available via the Porsche dealership network. Vehicle data acquisition and timing expert Racelogic was on site to record and verify the lap time utilising their VBOX video HD2 system.

Consumption data

Taycan Turbo S (Predecessor model)

*Further information on the official fuel consumption and the official specific CO₂ emissions of new passenger cars can be found in the "Leitfaden über den Kraftstoffverbrauch, die CO₂-Emissionen und den Stromverbrauch neuer Personenkraftwagen" (Fuel Consumption, CO₂Emissions and Electricity Consumption Guide for New Passenger Cars), which is available free of charge at all sales outlets and from DAT (Deutsche Automobil Treuhand GmbH, Helmuth-Hirth-Str. 1, 73760 Ostfildern-Scharnhausen, www.dat.de).

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